

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as shown below, in which deleted terms are indicated by strikethrough and/or by double brackets, and added terms are indicated with underscoring. The following list of claims replaces all previous versions, and listings of claims in the application.

1. (Canceled)

2. (Currently Amended) ~~The on-board gaseous fuel tank module as set forth in claim 1,~~

An on-board gaseous fuel tank module comprising:

a support frame member; and

a gaseous fuel tank fixed to the support frame member horizontally, the gaseous fuel tank comprising:

a cylindrical tank unit,

a gaseous fuel inlet and outlet valve device provided at a first axial end portion of the tank unit such that a part thereof protrudes outwardly from the tank unit, and

a pin hole provided in a second axial end portion of the tank unit so as to open outwardly;

wherein an axis of the tank unit, an axis of the valve device and a center line of the pin hole are disposed on a straight line, so that the valve device and the pin hole are used to position the gaseous fuel tank horizontally;

wherein the cylindrical tank unit comprises:

an inner shell unit, and

an outer shell of fiber reinforced polymer which covers the inner shell unit;

the pin hole is defined by a pin hole formed body;

wherein the pin hole formed body is embedded in the outer shell unit and comprises a cylindrical body having an open end face in which the pin hole is formed, ~~in an open end~~

~~thereof~~ and a mounting flange residing at the closed end of the cylindrical body and joined to the inner shell unit; and

wherein the open end face of the cylindrical body is flush with an outer surface of the outer shell unit.

3. (Currently amended) The on-board gaseous fuel tank module as set forth in claim 2 ~~[[1]]~~, wherein a hex fitting at the first axial end of the tank ~~may be~~ is supported by a support member extending perpendicularly thereto.

4. (Currently amended) ~~The on-board gaseous fuel tank module as set forth in claim 1,~~

An on-board gaseous fuel tank module comprising:

a support frame member; and

a gaseous fuel tank fixed to the support frame member horizontally, the gaseous fuel tank comprising:

a cylindrical tank unit,

a gaseous fuel inlet and outlet valve device provided at a first axial end portion of the tank unit such that a part thereof protrudes outwardly from the tank unit, and

a pin hole provided in a second axial end portion of the tank unit so as to open outwardly;

wherein an axis of the tank unit, an axis of the valve device and a center line of the pin hole are disposed on a straight line, so that the valve device and the pin hole are used to position the gaseous fuel tank horizontally;

said on-board gaseous fuel tank module further comprising left and right side frames which are adapted to be positioned and fixed on-board in a vehicle;

a pin on one of the left and right side frames adapted to fit into the pin hole to position and

align the tank with the frame; and

front and rear frames connected to the left and right side frames, whereby the tank is configured to be installed horizontally on-board said vehicle.

5. (Currently Amended) The on-board gaseous fuel tank module as set forth in claim 2 [[1]], wherein the cylindrical tank unit comprises a cylindrical center portion, a first axial end portion closing a first end of the cylindrical center portion and a second axial end portion closing the second end of the cylindrical center portion.

6. (Currently Amended) ~~The on-board gaseous fuel tank module as set forth in claim 1,~~

An on-board gaseous fuel tank module comprising:

a support frame member; and

a gaseous fuel tank fixed to the support frame member horizontally, the gaseous fuel tank comprising:

a cylindrical tank unit,

a gaseous fuel inlet and outlet valve device provided at a first axial end portion of the tank unit such that a part thereof protrudes outwardly from the tank unit, and

a pin hole provided in a second axial end portion of the tank unit so as to open outwardly;

wherein an axis of the tank unit, an axis of the valve device and a center line of the pin hole are disposed on a straight line, so that the valve device and the pin hole are used to position the gaseous fuel tank horizontally;

wherein the pin hole has no inlet or outlet for gaseous fuel ~~and has a smooth inner surface.~~

7. (New) The on-board gaseous fuel tank module as set forth in claim 4, wherein a hex fitting at the first axial end of the tank is supported by a support member extending perpendicularly thereto.

8. (New) The on-board gaseous fuel tank module as set forth in claim 4, wherein the cylindrical tank unit comprises a cylindrical center portion, a first axial end portion closing a first end of the cylindrical center portion and a second axial end portion closing the second end of the cylindrical center portion.

9. (New) The on-board gaseous fuel tank module as set forth in claim 6, wherein a hex fitting at the first axial end of the tank is supported by a support member extending perpendicularly thereto.

10. (New) The on-board gaseous fuel tank module as set forth in claim 6, wherein the cylindrical tank unit comprises a cylindrical center portion, a first axial end portion closing a first end of the cylindrical center portion and a second axial end portion closing the second end of the cylindrical center portion.